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Title: Twin Oaks Terror 2

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Toric awoke to the sound of his door slamming against the wall, before he could ask any questions, Cabe rambled off the entire events as they had unfolded.

Toric hopped from his bed dressing himeself quickly. The two men decended the stairs, Toric helped Cabe due to his twisted ancle. Toric noticed that Red wasn't at the top of the stairs, Cabe had left out that detail. When they reached the bottom of the stairs Cabe turned sharply knockign over one of the wooden stools next to the long wooden bar. Instantly one of the creatures broke out the window under the sign and was struggling to get in. Toric had seen these creatures before, Zombies he caleld them, the walkign dead. Cabe instructed him to leave him down here, and fetch the carpentry kits from the basement, they needed to board up the windows.

Toric disapeared down the stairs, and Cabe began to drag some furniture closer to the windows, being careful not to get to close, he thought about what it must be like to be devoured, and he felt sorry for Red, he also fealt guilty the dog had saved him. Another window broke as Toric ran up the stairs, thankfully there would be enough nails to cover the only two walls with windows. Toric broke down furniture to workable boards, as Cabe flailed a torch he'd found from one of the pillars above the tables. Cabe seemed to strugle even to stand, Toric found it amazing that he could roam from window to window burning any zombie who dare to stay close enough. Toric began to hammer the broken furniture to the windows, it seemed to take forever, by the time he had the first secure, and was finishing up the second, the zombies had broken down the first again. Realising this wasn't going to work, the two had to decide on another plan. Cabe thought they should secure the basement, and wait there for help, but the younger Toric thought it would be better to use one of the rooms with the sturdy door's upstairs. The sound outside increased as they discussed there plans, and both were sure the front doors would not hold the growing number of monsters for long. Both agreed that they would need supplys, of wich most were in the basement, how could they haul enoguh water up the stairs to last the winter or until help would arive, but staying in the basment wasnt such a good idea either, they had no idea how they would block the stairs to keep the mosnters out once they had broke through the main doors wich were

beginign to bend under the pressure. Cabe finnaly agreed to keep the monsters at bay with the torch while Toric hauled food and water to the rooms upstairs. Toric's first few trips consisted of some lighter kegs of ale, an empty water barrel, playing cards, a crate of rations, and two oars he found next to a tattered net at the bottom of the stairs to use as wepons or reinforce the door. He made many trips up the stairs carring an open keg he was using to transport the water to the upstairs room, each time checking to make sure Cabe was alright. On his third trip carrying water, he noticed cabes limp was growing worse, as he rounded to corner at the top of the stairs to the second floor and made his way to the largest room, to dump the water in the barrel, he heard Cabe faintly shouting. Toric quickly dumped the water in the large barrel, it wasn't even half full, he knew he would have to work faster. Just has he opened the door to go back out into the hall he heard a loud crash, he grabbed the ore and ran with all his might to the stairs, runnign down them at top speed, but it was to late. One very feindish looking corpse was overtop of Cabe and as many as could fit were piling through the door, Toric was frozen in his tracks, as his companions screams filled the room, silenced only by the sounds of him choking on his own vomit. The

cold draft from the broken door hit Toric in the face like a ton of bricks and he snapped out of his trance and took off for the stairs back to the top floor, with the crowds size growing in number on the bottom floor, The zombies slowly moved towards the stair case knocking over furniture and anything in there way. Toric had an explosion potion he was saving for an emergency and he figured this would be his last chance to use it, he threw it to the bottom of the stair case, killing three of the zombies. He continued to run top speed to his own room, grabbing some personal things as quickly as he could and some extra fire wood in record time. As he left his room and started for the master sweet the first slow moving rotting corpses were rounding the guard rail at the top of the stair case. Toric ran faster than before to the door of the sweet. Fumbling with his key ring, he could her the dragging of the bodys gettign closer just aroudn the corner from him, He dropped the keyring, but quickly retreived it focusing only on finding the right key, fidnign the skelitan key he jammed it in the lock, jsut a she did one of the zombies rounded the cornerwithin six steps of him! He turned the key and opened the door quickly pulling the key back out of the lock, and slamming the door behind him just as the foul creature was apon it. He quckly

baracaded the door using one of the ores. Toric sank to his knees and began to weep, falling back on the brown bear rug, he could never remeber beign this terrified or having so much terror and greif mixed inside him. He threw another log in the fire place and made it to his feet, wipign away the tears from his face. He sat down at an antique dresser and staired at his own reflection in the mirror. He noticed a journal on the desk, he opened the first page then closed it quickly, it was Cabes' handwriting. Toric sat for a moment trying to decide if he should read it, but before he made his mind up the pounding on the door had distracted him. He reinfoced it with the second ore. An eager groan caught his attention, he had forgotten about the window to the outside, he rushed over to the east wall and looked down, he could not belive the masses of them and suddenly the feelign of hoplessness hit him, before he thought he may escape this alive, but now he was sure there were to many, no idea he could come up with would kill them all, and as for any help comign it would be at least a week before the tempruature outside was warm enough to travel. He steped backwards and sank down so as his rear would meet the plush bed, he wrangled up the dark green blanket in his arms holding it close to him, he bedan to cry again as

the banging on the door grew louder than ever. \*\*Meanwhile\*\*

Dorry ran under the stone arch of her home, wich was not far north-east of the Twin Oaks, her house was destryed, crumbling, battered by the battle tha ttook place, Dorry was a Grandmaster Mage, who had studied under Nystul of the castle British. She had managed to kill a group of about twenty of the zombies, and had made her way to the front of the tavern, seekign refuge, she only found more monsters, it took her nearly a full hour to dispatch the entire group of monsters, and make her way inside and up the stairs, she checked each room and alogn the way killed stragglign zombies. She checked the sweet last, She tryed to open the door but it seemed to be blocked by something. To be continued...Look for "Twin Oaks Terror 3".

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